THE HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE L.NARASIMHA REDDY

W.P.No.26596 of 2005

Date:14.12.2005

M.Rajamma.

--------PETITIONER

APSRTC, Rep. By its Regional Manager, Karimnagar Region,

Karimnagar and others.

---------RESPONDENTS

ORDER:

The petitioner, who was working as Conductor in Huzurabad Depot of APSRTC, was removed from service through order, dated 14.05.2002, by the 3rd respondent, on the allegation that he was unauthorisedly absent for certain

period. The petitioner filed an appeal before the 2nd respondent against the order of removal. The appeal was rejected on 18.10.2002. Aggrieved thereby, he filed a review before the Regional Manager, Karimnagar, 1st respondent herein, on 15.12.2002. His grievance is that though a period of about three years has elapsed, the review has not been disposed of, and he seeks appropriate directions in this regard.

Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner and the learned Standing Counsel for the respondents.

By any standard, the review filed by the petitioner against the order in the appeal, cannot be kept pending for three years, particularly when he is out of service. Depending on the outcome of the review, the petitioner has to work out his further remedies, in accordance with law. The 1st respondent ought to have disposed of the review long back.

Hence, the Writ Petition is disposed of, directing the 1st respondent to pass appropriate orders in the review petition filed by the petitioner against the order, dated 18.10.2002, passed by the 2nd respondent in the appeal, within a period of three (3) weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order, if not already passed. There shall be no order as to costs.

14.12.2005

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